

DESERET NEWS.

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1851.

✍ We feel thankful to our heavenly Father that he is inspiring the hearts of the farmers more and more, to bring in their butter, eggs, cheese, &c., to strengthen the hands on the public works; who also feel thankful and praise God for the same, and pray for their brethren more abundantly. Formerly, at this season of the year, butter was being packed away to sell to emigrants; now it is brought forward to help build a Temple.—Formerly, some of the brethren buried their faith with their butter, and their hearts were cold enough, in the absence of ice, to preserve their butter until they could make sale at an enormous price, and would let the public works stand still, their brethren and sisters and little ones, who did not make of their own, eat bread and water, rather than sell them an ounce, at a reasonable price; and their hearts were so cold it did not seem to trouble them, and they did not appear to know but they had done right, and they knew not joy or happiness; now they sell freely to those who have none, at reasonable prices, and their hearts are so warm that butter will not keep on their farms; and they are so full of joy and happiness, they have to come and bring a pail of butter to the tithing office, and tell how they rejoice, and how much better they feel than they did last year and the year before; and God is blessing them in basket and in store, in flocks and in herds, in fields and in gardens, and they are getting rich a hundred fold faster than they were formerly, and they are not afraid to see a good brother from the city, lest he should ask them if they could sell him a pound of butter or cheese, and they should have to tell a lie to keep it for the emigrants. No! they have done with such foolish things.—My Father, continue to bless them in the name of Jesus: amen.

✍ The March and April mails from Independence arrived on the 24th inst., 3 p. m., in charge of Mr. R. S. Phelps, who states that he left Independence on the 1st of April; the March mail having come on as far as Big Blue, and returned before he left, on account of high water. Mr. P. brought on both mails. The 1st of May mail is due here this evening, and should we get it in twenty days more, we shall feel satisfied that the speed of the line is improving.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.—If all the friends of the elders on foreign missions would do as Elder Snow's have done, GIVE US THE PRIVILEGE OF COPYING SUCH EXTRACTS AS PERTAIN TO THE PROSPERITY OF THE GOSPEL, they would secure to them-

selves the blessings of many Saints, who will be made to rejoice at the good news from far off lands.

PAPERS.—By last mail were received Frontier Guardian, March 21; New York Herald, March 12; Tribune, March 8; Sun, March 12; Phil. Courier, March 22; and we saw in the post-office the Millennial Star of Sept. 1; but Elder Snow's letter we copied from the Guardian, having received no M. Stars at our office of late; and a large portion of our exchange papers are missing; also many papers due subscribers from the States. We understand that two mails were due at Independence from the east, when Mr. Phelps left. But what has become of most of the Occidental Messengers due at our post office?

THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT is receiving donations of a block from Switzerland, from the Cumanche, and other Indians, and other places, States, and nations, and societies, and each having their own inscriptions, according to the papers; and it may be anticipated the whole will be a grand, chronological, historical, picturesque PILE.

✍ We get few or no regular files of papers, which we attribute, in part, to uncertain transportation; and a part to other causes existing between here and there; and by reading only an occasional paper, we get only an occasional link in the chain of history circumscribing the earth. We suspect the WORLD'S FAIR comes off in London about this time; but must wait for particulars to an uncertain hereafter. Of many other things which do or might exist, we gain still less information; and we expect to be perplexed with more or less ignorance until the lightning-rods, railroad cars, and balloons run daily and hourly between the mountains and the vallies, and with fewer stopping places on the route, where the transports are liable to be picked by the crows, black crickets, and gulls.

✍ About three hours after the arrival of the mail on the 24th, Pres'ts. Young and Kimball, and the accompanying party, were received in our midst, in excellent health and spirits, with demonstrations of joy, from their visit to Utah, San Pete, and Iron counties. Those who went out sick returned home well. Health, happiness, and prosperity pervade all the settlements of the Saints that have been visited. We hear many parts of the country very highly spoken of. The crops look well, and bid fair at all the settlements, and the labors of the brethren have been unremitting. The planning of the fort, and public grounds and houses; and the general execution of business manifested by Elder George A. Smith, and the brethren with him at Iron county; for safety, convenience,

and profit, are represented as unequalled, and do great credit to their projector and executors. We hope to give more particulars hereafter.

SAW MILL.—We visited our saw-mill, situated about 4 miles from the mouth of N. Cottonwood Canyon, on the 22d inst., and found the road so far completed as to admit of riding, except about a quarter of a mile, where we found a goodly number of hands at work, and we have reason to believe that teams will be able to pass from the mill out of the canyon with lumber, about this time. Some repairs are wanting, some bridges need building, though the stream is fordable, and the bottom hard; and some changes need making by way of improvement; all of which will be done as fast as help can be had; and eventually we anticipate as good a road to our mill as to any other canyon mill in the valley. We found plenty of timber near the mill, and plenty of snow among the timber, and plenty of water, which will last while snow lasts, and the mill doing a tolerable business, which we expect will be greatly improved the coming week, some little derangement having taken place, by the bursting of the bulk-head posts; and we will soon be ready to exchange lumber and shingles for a few thousands in cash, which will most assuredly be an accommodation to both parties. Any person wishing such an accommodation will please call at our office, at the mouth of said canyon, where they will find Mr. Lyman Hinman associated with Capt. A. L. Lamoreaux, ready to attend to all such matters.

A LONG STORY SHORTENED.—A man was arrested in Boston under the fugitive slave law, and rescued by some of the citizens,—when President Fillmore issued his proclamation by lightning, commanding U. S. officers to prosecute those who were engaged in the rescue. The proclamation was presented to the court while in session, and a motion made to have it read; and the counsel for defence objected on the ground that a message by lightning was of no force. Court overruled, message was read, and honored by the court: so say the papers.

✍ Fires, floods, and droughts, peace, poverty, and plenty, murder, robbery, and suicide, earthquakes, tornadoes, and accidents, shipwrecks, boilers burst, and disappointed lovers constitute the general news of the day, so far as we have read the last mail; although the very latest date specifies that a steamer was expected in about a week, that would bring some news from Europe.

✍ Elder James Flanigan of the Birmingham conference is dead.